TRUE

CHRISTIAN LOVE.

To be sung with any of the Common Tunes of the Psalms.

Coloss. 3. 16.

the word of Christ dwell in you richly, in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in in Psalms and Hymns, and spiritual Songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

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Pſal. 4. 6. 7

I have a heart for love
I cannot chooſe but have
A love that can give full content,
the leaſt as I can crave.
1 John 2. 15. 16. 17.
Want not ſuiters, and they all
have agents ſtill with me:
The promiſe that which I do ſeek:
But ſure I know they lie.

Tim. 6. 9

Though honor height to lift me up,
And mammon me to ſerve:
Yet their attendants skars me not:
Nor makes my heart to ſwarve:
While fear: diſdain envy, care and toil,
With other ill hew'd wights.
Wait for my ſervice if I weed
Their maſters. O what ſights.

Eccleſ. 1v

The only thing like to prevail,
Was matcht unto my mind:
When fancy brakt my party with
Perfections of each kind.
But now I ſee that fancy is
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the least as I can crave.
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have agents still with me:
The promise that which I do seek:
But sure I know they lie.

Though honor height to lift me up,
And mammon me to serve:
Yet their attendants skars me not:
Nor makes my heart to swarve:
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With other ill bew'd twights.
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Their matters. O what sights.

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Then why want I contenting love
since Christs love may be had?
In whom is all that I do seek,
or can be thought or said;
What other loves do seem to have
is truely in him found:
Cant. 5. 10 The scattred beauties of them all
in him are jointly bound.

What they do lack and cannot have
because they finit be:
It's infinit in him, it stands
for ever still: O he,
He, he, is only worthy love,
and nothing else but he:
Alace, that vanity so long
hath so bewitched me.

Why heard I flattering idols words
why did I partly keep?
Why suffered I affliction
to sing me so asleep?
Psal. 77. 22 How went I on so foolishly,
and keep so oft their tryst,
As if false loves could be found true
and had no mind of Christ?

No not when Christ was suiting me
and they found oft untrue:
I back still in their bonds, and could
my self no wayes rescue.
psal. 73. 23. Yet good and wise Lord Jesus Christ
did still pursue my love:
He knew though I refus'd my heart
was his he could me move.

And now it's done, my love is thine
Cant. 1. 4. Lord Jesus, come receive
This wofull heart, and suffer not
my soul hence, to deceive.
There shall my suiters all me serve,
but thou my love shalt be.
They shall be mine, not I theirs, else
they shall not follow me.

us shall I have advantage twise,
nd blest shall be my lot:
get my lovers goods, and love
ove theirs, well I wot.
love that will not me despise,
ough I unworthy be.
ough vile and loathsome, yet will he Can 16.
t loath, but pitty me Ezek. 1
5 6.
ough fickle I, he will not change, Mal. 3. 6.
sconstancy is known: James 1. 17.
change no shadow is with him, John 13. 1. 5.
loves for ay his own. Psal. 103.
hen I for want of wit and strength 8. 9.
fend, and do confesse: 1. Cor: 10.
will not chide, but pardon me 18.
y faults both more and less.

will not charge upon me lay,
re then I may well bear:
t wil my burthens, as I need,
pport: I do not fear. Hab. 3. 25
wrath at others will cause him
pleasant be to me:
slanderer will get his ear Isai. 17. 45.
hear of me a lie.

will not misconstruct my words, Psal. 103. 3.
will not angry be:
fret without a cause, nor frown,
r fitch a fault falsly:
mark my wayes so narrowly, 1. pet: 4. 9
nothing to passe by.
love will hide my sin in love,
th safely may rely.

will not wake his heritage,
r will himself disgrace:
foes can hurt him, and their spite
turns upon their face. psal. 89. 22
love to others Saints shall not
k prejudice to me: John 13.
re then the Suns light unto all,
th hinder me to see.

No causeless jealousie will vex
Isai. 30. 21. at any time his mind:
Rev. 2. 19. But if he see my heart go wrong,
I know he is so kind,
As to admonish and rebuke,
and chasten if it need:
And so me save from perishing,
too oft deserv'd indeed

If I be sad, he will be loath:
yet more to vex my heart:
Gen. 12. 3. If any other will do so.
gainst them heel take my part.
Num. 4. 2. 9. And those that grieve me, he will g
and curse them more and less
That curseth me, so will he those
that bless me surely bless.

If trouble set about me round,
he will not me forsake,
Nor leave me comfortless alone,
but pittie on me take.
Job. 5. 29. And if he hide his face a while,
Psal. 61. 15. as wisdom oft requires,
He doth but exercise my faith,
and sharpen my desires,
Pet. 1. 3. 17.
James 1. 2 And if he seem to stay well long,
that I become so dead,
As I can neither say nor sing,
nor meditate, nor read:
Nor do ought else that might asswa
hear to pangs in such a case:
But sigh and droup, and hang my
long looking for his grace.

Uttering but broken words or none,
perplext with thoughts confus'd;
Suggestions whisper all the while,
John 5. 14. as if I were refus'd.
Isai. 23. 2. Yet fill his gracious hand doth me
support with secret strength,
And makes me in these deeps not d
but brings me through at length

Mean time he keeps my scattred words. psal. 56.
and falling those my tears:
In books and bottels, and takes course.
to rid me out of fears.
And failing both my word and tears,
he marks each woful groane:
And failing those my sighs, and all
the parcels of my moane.

Yea when I sit astonished,
my lifted hands and looks psal. 120. 2.
Speaks all my mind to him, as if
it written were in books.
For he doth search the heart and knows
what is the spirits mind:
And as its fit gives answer to
needs cry in every kind,

And look how sharp these tryals are,
their fruit is far more sweet:
His countinance compenseth all, Rom. 8. 27
with one blink when we meet. psal. 20. 5
For he doth make my heart more glad Psal. 4. 7.
then any tongue can tell; Psal. 34. 21.
Though grief was great, yet joy is now psal. 76.
more sweet then grief was fell; to verse,

For Judge ye whosoever felt
what weight in sin what grief,
In mind oppress what anguish is,
when soul sees no relief.
What torment in perplexity,
what horror in Gods wrath,
What hell in fear'd eternity.
at losing of his breath.

And presuppone a soul were sure
to dwel at last above
In heaven with Christ, yet know ye not
what langer is in love: prov. 13. 12
What sickness in deferred hopes, psal. 22. 42
what battel without foe: psal. 11. 6. 3
What trouble when God hides his face 24. and 7. 8
and seems us to forgo,

Now

Now judge again, when wights in
grief, anguish, torments gone:
For wrath, death, hell, eternity,
of fear now there is none.
But in their place the heart like up,
life, light, and rest is come:
Felt love, peace, victory hearts heal
and Christs Spirit, all in sum.

Judge when our much provoked
himself showes reconcil'd,
If with the joy that then is felt,
a heart may not be filled,
John. 15. 13. Now what can others love do here,
to souls in such a case,
But add more grief, and make the
more thick to hide Christs face?

Then other loves all get you gone,
or else take servants place:
Too hard conditions were to me
for you to quite his face,
psal 64. 10. For one hours joy in him is more,
though mixt with dirie tears,
Then all earths honor, pleasure, wo
can yeeld in many years.

psal. 116. 7. Now let me rest and rouse my love,
Gal. 2. 20. who first me lov'd and chos'd,
And long call'd for my worthless
and would not be refus'd.
I'le seek his love as he sought mine
and learn of him to love,
Since he invites I cannot miss,
though whiles he shall me prove,

My love is Fathers eldest son
his Father, King of Kings:
His heritage is heaven and earth,
John 2. 8. and in them both all things.
Dan. 1. 47. His wisdom laid the world round,
psa. 1. 8. and parted sea and Land,
Heb. 1. 2. Earths body through, as veines he
Prov. 8. 21. the waters, with his hand
&c.

e made the Sun and Stars so swift
yet not seen to move,
ess men on earth had vexed been
with motions from above.,
is strength upholds this weighty globe,
and yet which is far more.
e bare our sins and heavy wrath,
deserv'd of us therefore.

or truth Gods promises in him, 2 Cor. 1.20.
are all, yea, and Amen: Rom. 5. 8.
or love, his death for us a proof
sufficient hath been.
or justice, he can do no wrong,
For mercy, there is none,
r shall in hell be who have sought
for grace through him alone.

Most lofty and most lowely minde Deut. 2. 31
most good and most severe, 4.
Most lovely, and most terrible, Isai 11 29
o all in him cohere, Mt. 11. 29.
he meekest lamb to all his friends,
Lyon to his foes.
gives his peace to all that comes;
wrath follows all that goes.

o foe can stand before his face
o fugitive can flee. Mal. 3. 2.
o lurking hole can hide from him: psal. 123. 8
his eyes do all things see, 6. 10. 11. 12
mighty all where present, though Rev. 4. 7.
s body heaven contain. Met. 28. 20.
ternal God thought he as man
nans properties retain.

robbry for his Majesty
s fathers match to be.
fathers God head and the Spirits
d his are one all three.
erefore when I do love the Sun, phil. 2. 6
love the Father too. 1 John 5. 7
d so the Spirit who dwels in him.
all I worship do.

Geh. 3. 22. He is the tree of life to me,
ibid. 24. and so to all his own,
John 5. 14. 15 No fiery sword debars us now.
Gen. 2. 32. all we for friends are known,
Heb. 4. 10. In him my sabbath is begun.
Gen. 2. 10. he teacheth me to cease,
From mine own works, and leads
his rest, by steps of peace.

Flood Branch'd in four to water all
new plants of paradise,
Redeem'd and holy, making
and righteous, and wise,
Though we have slain him, yet his
speaks better thing for us,
Gen. 4. 14. Then Abels crying curse: but his
cryes. Lord, be gracious,

Though wrath should overflow the
Gen. 6. 10. as with a new deluge,
Or fire consume the earth, yet Thy
safe Ark is our refuge,
For now no wrath unmixt with love
shall of his own be felt,
Gen. 8. 21. Because God in his sacrifice,
Gen. 9. 31. the smel of death hath melt,
Isai 54. 9. And as the bow in cloud is pawn
of not returning flood:
So is that offering constant pledge
of our eternal good.
Gen. 12. True Isaac offered up for me,
11. 12. not minted at, but slain:
Not Isaac like in this escape,
though slain, he rose again.

Sweet Joseph by his brethren sold
by our means made to serve:
He hath provided well our food,
lest we through want should sterve
From Egypts bonds and slavery
its he that sets us free:
Heb 2. 14. 15 Its he that doth prepare our way,
1 Cor. 10. through floods and raging sea.

That Prophet raised like Moses true, Heb. 2. 3.
but fruitfuller then he: 2, 3.
e law, and curse, and types of good, John 11. 17.
Christ grace and truth gives me. 2Cor. 3. 6.
by duty Moses showes, but strength &c.
none can he give to do, Heb. 7. 16.
ut Christ by teaching gives me life, &c.
and will and action too.

he Priest that offered only once,
and pacify'd for ay;
nd needs not Aaron like repeat
his sacrifice each day,
r Aarons offering oft did prove
his offering unperfite;
ut Christs, because it perfect makes,
God still our sins to quit.

n him all laws and types are fill'd, Heb. 10, 14.
in him they have an end: Heb. 7, 12.
o further use of them, since God
ath Christ their substance send,
o priest by office now on earth,
no proper sacrifice,
o altar of materials,
no first place of service.

he tent where God dwels bodily, John. 4. 17.
he temple where the tryst
set for meeting of our God, Heb. 9. 2,
as reconcil'd is Christ. &c.
e ark with ready Angels cled,
he mercy-seat of God,
eels, and oracles of peace,
giving to us abroad.

y him the withered rod bears fruit,
with him is manna hid: Num. 17. 2.
he law in him lyes closed from speech,
except through mercies rid.
y him my prayers are perfum'd,
and smell as incense sweet:
y him my cup is furnished,
and table fill'd with meat. heb. 7

The

The priest, the altar, and the lamb,
the laver washing all:
And what else any rite did sing,
he fills up great and smal.
The Judge which rids his people f
all adversaries hand.
Gol. 9. 17 Our kindly King, by whom we may
possess that promis'd land.

To all his subjects affable,
above all earthly Kings:
His basest servants have his ear
at all times in all things,
He is the Churches dearest love,
and therefore must be mine.
Isai. 17. 15. Though I be base, yet will his grace
to be my love incline.

cant. 1. 2. Oft hath he prov'd his love to me,
and will not now decline:
cant. 1 2. Oft hath his love much sweeter been
to me then finist wine,
cent. 2. 5. Oft have the preaching of his word,
cent. 2. 3. in straits and fears of death,
As sweetest kisses been to me,
conveyed with lively breath,

Oft hath his Apples hunger stayed
my thirst his flaggons quencht
Oft hath his shadow me refrescht,
as herds by dew bedrencht,
Oft in his love with drawing, he
from bed hath made me rise,
cent. 4. 2. And seek him long before I found
to make me after wise,

And when we met, his wrath was go
he call'd me spouse betroth'd,
And washing me by pardon said,
My fair love, though self-loath'd.
Now fairest love, let my soul say
cent. 11. 3. who made me clean but thou?
cent. 1. 16. Who made a child of wrath like me,
Hos. 2. 3. stand reconciled now:

hat makes me lovely but thy love
hat set the price on me?
hose beauty makes me fair but thine?
what have I not from thee?
y exaltation is come,
o be a child of God,
y thy descending to be man,
nd come whites here above.

hy clean conception and birth, Luk. 1.35.
proves thee to be the tree,
here cut from Adams filthy stock,
imped clean must be,
by manger makes my bed more soft,
hy stable makes my inns:
by banishment home brings me where Luke 2.16.
y country-people wing,
by wisdom in thy child-hood, hides Mat. 2. 12.
y foolish youthful toyes: Luke 2.47.
by self debating unto griefs,
grounds of all my joyes.
by emptying, thy fulness is,
y meanness me promotes:
y hiding of thy royal state,
kingdom me allots,

y servants shape, and service done, phil. 2. 7.
rom service sets me free,
bondage of proud satans yoke,
nd sins strong tyranie,
y lurking thirty years unknown,
t ever makes me shine,
ith glory far above the reach
subtile engine.

y name inrol'd in sinners book Luke 3.23.
Baptism makes my name Mat. 13 16.
e inroled amongst the saints,
n those of greatest fame.
y offering surety Christ for me,
God, at Jordans bank.
h freed me of my sins, and hell:
ll's me and God I thank.

I hear

Isai, 8, 18, I hear thee say to God, Behold
me, and my children all,
I hear the Father answer thee,
I love you great and smal.
I hear thee say: Take me for them
let me their burthen bear;
I hear the Father cry, Content,
come, children, come, and hear:

Isai. 55. 5. Come hear the Covenant between
me and my dearest Son
Come give your hearts consent th
and then your bargans done:
I hear thee say, Mans due is death
I'le do thy will, O Lord.
My soul and body both for theirs
let suffer I accord

I hear thy fathers voice from heav
cry, lovely Son are thou:
Psal. 4. 8. These all, and this (and that wa
are thine, I'm pleased now.
matt. 31, 7. I hear him say to all, and me.
Go hear my Son, and live.
He drew I came, they welcom'd me;
and life, I feel, dost give.

Now take me with thee where thou
for we must never shed.
In faith my soul is glew'd to thee.
Psal. 61, 1. lead me as blind are led,
Cross Satans teeth, if our way ly
and cross each other so:
To Priests, to bench, to Golgotha.
lead me, and I will go.

mat. 27. 33. But lead, and leave me not or else
I cannot miss to fail:
If thou do hold me in thy hand,
I fear no foe at all.
Thy Combats makes me not amaz
for what could make me wo?
Rom, 8, 31, Thy victory my conflict makes
mat. 8. 13. to be with vanquisht so.

going to the wilderness mat. 4. 1.
gs me to Saints City:
ighting all alone, makes me
t in thy company.
eing tempted fourty days, mat. 4. 1. Heb 2. 18.
my dayes makes me sure.
presence, help and comfort shal
b tempted me, endure. mat. 4 5. and 4. 5.

some wrong mean I be tempt
l my natures lusts:
od to tempt, neglecting means.
er pretence of trust.
lp or hazard life, some way:
h God will not allow:
be still before me, Lord.
helper here be thou.

me my flesh doth grieve to think mat. 4. 8.
t may thy Saints befall:
horrible suggestions.
blasphemies withall:
shapes and apparitions,
ght some, some by day:
wer of this flesh, yet thou
'd my fear do slay.

dangerous of all, me thinks; mat. 4. 6.
Satan God to scorn,
se religion worship craves.
bids them hoof and horn.
Angel-like in some mans mouth.
to some Image bow:
worldly motives brings thy truth. mat. 10.
use me disavow:

s case, Lord give light that I
Satan bid avoid:
ousands here for fault of light,
have been and destroyed.
e me from this till I know
rouble shall me breed.
ake the world me persecute
spight in word and deed.

But

But so I may thy truth contain,
and still adhere to thee
I fear no persecution,
nor wicked injuries,
More hated can I not then then
no more despised be;
More charg'd with bitter calumnies
nor after get the lie.

Luke 23.11. More scorn'd and mocked in my
psal 12.17. more followed at the back:
John 1. 1. Finger and tongue shut forth wi
murgons that mockers make.
Less welcome where I offer love.
less thanked for good deeds:
More intertain'd in my country,
more furnisht in my needs,

More friendly handled by my fri
and those of mine own blood,
Then thou was, I, yea not can be
who suffer shal for good.
What can befal me which did not
before befal to thee?
What more distress for righteousne
Mat. 8. 20. can I expect to be?

What lodging less then ly thereout
what harder bed then rockes?
What sharper rest then not to sleep
or to prevent the cocks?
What skant or want more then to
no peny in my purse,
Matt. 7. 27. Amongst such people as me hate,
and in their heart me curse?

What greater hunger then to fast,
and when it's time to eat,
To send, and by some course piece b
and get no other meat?
What greater drouth then want a dr
John 4. 5. in journey at mid day
And for a drink of water call:
and hear one say me nay?

hat spoile of goods more then to strip
me naked to the skin,
nd in my sight divide my cloaths, John 4. 5.
nd then to scorn begin?
hat danger more then present death,
y stones lift up to cast:
ere steep down rocks, here man adjug'd Matt. 2. 37.
o be thrown down, made fast. John 8. 58. Luke 4. 20.
hat banisht can I more be then,
or life chast here and there. Matt 26. 57.
Without a hole to hide my head,
hich even to beasts is rare?
hat prison worse then fall in hands
f persecuting Priests,
irsting like wolves for blood of saints
grace their godless feasts?
hat judgement more unjust then find Matt. 26. 69
y party sit as Judge.
d still the lesse fault he can find, John 18. 22.
e more at me to grudge?
d if I speak a modest truth, Isai. 50. 6.
smite me on the face:
d pull the hair off head and cheeks,
d all me to disgrace?
hat torment more then pricks thrustin Matt. 37. 29.
's head fourscore at once:
all the flesh with scurging rent,
nd nothing safe but bones?
d these so racked in all joynts,
finews none go free: Matt. 27. 25
t leges and armes asunder speld,
ang up and nail'd on tree:
d what might seem to be untouch'd,
y tender bowels all.
burnt, as slockning welcome was
y viniger and gall.
this thou suffered, Lord, and more Matt. 27. 4
hen any can express:
hy should I then be fear'd for such
ke suffering more or less:

Thou came in witnesse for the truth
and so must all thine do:
Thou came to suffer for the truth
and so must all thine too.
None follow thee, except they be
content thy cross to bear:
mat. 16,24. None crowned shal be, except thy will
for truth, thy livery wear.

2 Tim. 1.12. The truth is limite to thy word,
thine and none others saw:
Thy scriptures meaning thou will have
my rule, and thy full Law,
John 5 39. O that I were inclin'd to do
what duties there are named:
Then when I suffer should for truth,
I could not be asham'd

And suffer must we, else do wrong,
1 peter 4.16. when men from age to age,
To chop and change thine ordinance,
run headlong in a rage,
mat. 5.1.19. And by their own traditions,
do make thy precepts void:
Isai.119.116 Urging their own will more then
so lyes thy Law destroyed.

But thou, Lord over all declares
mat. 15. 9. such worship to be vain:
And ere we yeild, thy jealousie
wills rather we be slain,
Yea, ere we do a needless work,
mat. 18.6. and weaken little ones,
We choose our urgers should us sink
in deep seas with millstones.

Then strengthen, Lord my faith in
psal. 56.4. that flesh I do not fear:
But fear may only thee offence,
whose love he bought so dear.
And since thou hast me bought so dear
John 15. 1. why may I not be sure,
That love which made thee pay my
shall stedfastly endure:

If I should lean to my free will,
or strength I could not stand:
Oft had I perisht if my life
had lyen in mine own hand,
I wonder not that such as lean
to their works, will, or strength,
fit others for, and make themselves
apostate at length.

For such do not deny themselves,
and so not follow thee,
I chal'd am to thee for refuge,
and so preserv'd must be.
Chal'd soules are sensible of sin.
and sensible of wrath:
And flee from both to thee for life,
and in thee draw their breath. Mat. 19.21.
Heb, 6. 18.

How then can such not persevere,
and so be sav'd at length,
whom thou dost empty of their own,
and fills with thy fresh strength,
These are the souls that come to thee.
whom thou wilt not cast out:
These souls are drawn and driven to thee
whom thou must save no doubt. John 6.37.

These are thy sheep for whom thou prays
for whose life thou didst die; John 17. 9
whom liers shall not long deceive. and 20. 28
whom none can pull from thee,
These did thy Father give to thee,
with this expresse command: and 6. 39.
See thou lose not one of those,
Ile crave them at thine hand.

Keep them, and make them persevere,
and lead them all the way, Ibid.
Through life and death & raise them up
to glory at that day,
Thou dost accept this charge, and pawns
thy honor, charge to keep
Our faithful Shepherd well I know, Psa. 12. 1.
nor slumber will, nor slier.

These

These sin and law-chal'd soules, they
Heb. 9. true Isaacks all to be: (coun
Rom. 8. 17. Children of promise saying them,
and 8. 9. and heirs annext with thee.
Tit. 1. 1. These are Gods elect whom he hath
Rom. 8. 9. predestinate of old:
And in his counsel hath decreed
to save, as he hath told,

Whom to assure of endlesse life,
by his unchang'd decree,
Heb. 6. 18. His truth and oath he laid in pawn,
and 6. 13. in which he cannot lie,
And swore by his eternal self,
for greater there was none,
That of this elect company
there should not perish one.

Isai. 54. 11. And thou these souls like ship on sea
may fearfully be tost:
Heb. 6. 19. And whiles may seem close over whelm'd
yet none such shall be lost.
Their anker lyes within the vail,
no wind can make it drive:
It lyes where thou art landed, Lord,
Rom. 5. 28. and where we shall arrive.

Now whoso saith that they elect
for all this perish may:
And that thy Saints of purpose call
from thee may fall away
Matt. 7. 24. And lowses us from leaning on
The strength of thy right hand.
They draw from building on the rock,
and bids us build on sand.

They say, Peter and Judas are
Mat. 26. 15 all beloved of thee:
And that they both for gifts receiv'd,
alike beholden be.
As Judas for his perishing,
may wyte the love of self:
So Peter his free, will for like
may praise and thank himself.

y say, thou knowest not who are thine Tim. 21,
none they make the sure, 10,
y say, the Lords foundation
th not ay firm endure.
y say, thou chooses some to day, Heb. 6. 16,
d cast them off the morn 17. 18,
y make thee like vain men to be, John 17, 9.
d do thy counsel scorn, Rom. 8. 34.
Heb. 7. 25.
y make thee pray for thine elect,
nd not get thy request:
though thou for them live for ay, John. 8. 16
intercede as Priest.
s elect whom to be gives right,
be his sons and heirs.
y make them want sure right to have
heritage for theirs.

Saints till death seduc'd my be,
d sheep pull'd from thine hand,
om God thee charg'd to keep and said
say, they do not stand.
word, thy oath, thy covenant,
y make no certainty;
s anker they make drive, they speak Heb. 6. 18,
substance: blasphemy.

y make the merchand nothing wise,
d very sheet of thought,
pay'd the price and was not sure John 10. 11,
ave what thou had bought,
o unwise, as for thy sheep
ne own left not to spare:
m thou may lose, though so dear and 13. 1.
h foolish blocks are rare. (bought,
cked thoughts be fare from me,
now thy love doth last: Rom. 8. 10,
whom of purpose thou doth call,
grace doth hold them fast.
thou doth love, for them thou dy'd: and 5. 8.
whom thou dy'd they live.
love thy ransoming, and heaven,
yntily thou doth give.

And

1 John 4.16 And whosoever hates his sin,
and sets his love on thee.
May be assur'd thou lov'dst him first
and for his life didst die.
John 11.17. Now, Lord thou knowst I hate my sin
and seeks to have it slain:
Thou that knowst all, knows I this
Iskal. 2. 20. and feels it not in vain.
Psal. 116.17 Then, Lord, my love thou wilt allow
that I apply thy death:
And by that means perswaded rest
to be exempt from wrath.
And well I wot the ransome is
sufficient enough
We to redeem from hell, and in
me in thee as thy bough.
Rom. 4. 5. For me thou emptied thy self,
and stood in fathers law:
Phil. 2. 7. For me thou emptied thy self,
and stood in Fathers aw.
Gal. 3. 24. For me thou took on thee the curse
and felt thy fathers wrath:
Mat. 29.33. For me oft plunged was thy soul
and heavy to the death.

For which I sinfully did laugh,
thou mourn'd and wept full sore
For pleasure taken in my sin,
through grief oft didst thou roar
For mine ill words thou silenc'd
and knew not what to say:
Mark. 15.27. For mine ill deeds thou, Lord: was
condemn'd and led away.

Thy pitty were rath one my will
against both God and man;
Thy sentence was my due desert
for sins where to I ran.
These lashes laid upon thy skin,
those gripes and all thy woe
John 12.27. were for my souls wounds meet
O love, which thus abounds.

hus, my Love to see thee sad:
hus to see thee weep:
usto hear the groan and pant,
cry with sighs on t deep.
gony: O fearful sweat,
tears, & bloody drops,
mingled down from cheeks to feet
ch chasing other hops,
see my Love, for love of me
bloody shoulders bear
t cross, that curse, that grieving
trembling thus for fear.
see Almighty God so weak,
s fountain thus to die,
d shame & pain ov'r charg'd til heaven
ndred, and all for me.
s me for all my sins, woes me
roots of sin so strong.
ich have so long time grown in me
like to sick so long
elp, my Love, to have them slain
hee revenge thy death.
on this ill avenge me too,
ich wrong'd us both so hath,
l's me. I wot thou wilt assent,
nt this, and each request
ne our joy perfect shall be
ne our marriage feast,
as thou dyed for me,
lso didst thou rise,
reigns as God, and shall me fetch
akes thy word mewise.
o lovers tell me now if you
e any love like this:
e take a share with me, my love
olly spiritual is.
e, change your loves, and love with
ile you perish shal:
harge your loves to be the same
perish shal you all.

Mat. 26.3.8.
Luke 28.24
Mat. 27 and 26. 45.
Rom. 7.4.
John 16.23
Rom. 5.25.
1 Thes. 4.
Cant. 5. 10 and 5. 16.

God

Cor. 16. Gods curse on him that loveth not
2 26. my Love, Lord Jesus Christ.
p. 2. 24. Or loves not them that do love h
Ps. 2. 24. this curse with death keeps tryst.
Behold, this is my Love, yet it
4 he could like your love die:
Rev. 2, 8 All these excellencies of his
should work my misery.

Or yet if I by death could be
Rev. 1 18. deprivd of this my love:
Heb. 1. 12. All that is said, or can be more,
1 Cor. 13. were nought to my behove.
14. But now my love shall never die,
his dayes shal never end:
His life shall eternize his love,
his life to love doth tend.

And I by death shal have no loss:
my love shall then be more,
Both mine to him, and his to me.
blessed be God therefore:
Yea, and because I cannot live
and brook his love beneath,
2 Kings 2. My chariot to eternal life
11. death he appointed hath:

Therefore till death his love shal
the best part of my life;
In him I'le strive: against base
and death will end the strife.
Only, my Lord, still pitty me:
and tarry not too long:
My spirit and flesh cry, Come, Lo
Rev 22, 20. death shall renew my song.

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